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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH

FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 080273 SENT ACTION QUITO INFO  
SANTO DOMINGO APR 19:

QUOTE : C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 080273

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIS, EC, US

SUBJ: FISHERIES TALKS

REF: STATE 79712

SANTO DOMINGO FOR LOS TEAM

1. APRIL 17 TALKS SAN DIEGO WITH TUNA INDUSTRY REPS REVEALED STRONG OPPOSITION FOR ANY ASSISTANCE ECUADOR NAVY. INDUSTRY EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO TALK TO ECUADOREANS ABOUT ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT OR OTHER FORM OF SETTLEMENT, IF THERE IS ANY CONCRETE EVIDENCE THAT GOE SERIOUSLY WANTS AN AGREEMENT. HOWEVER THEY FEEL AT THIS STAGE IT DIFFICULT ENGAGE IN TALKS WITH SO LITTLE KNOWN ABOUT WHAT SPECIFICALLY WOULD BE POSSIBLE UNDER ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT. DEPT BELIEVES IT HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO BE ABLE PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION AND ASSURANCES TO INDUSTRY OF GOE WILLINGNESS PROCEED TOWARD SOME SETTLEMENT AT FURTHER TALKS WITH INDUSTRY REPS IN WASHINGTON PROBABLY ABOUT APRIL 25.

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2. ACCORDINGLY IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL IF EMBASSY COULD PROVIDE INFORMATION WHICH WE COULD PASS ON TO INDUSTRY WITH REGARDS TO ITS MAJOR CONCERNS. THESE ARE:

A) CANNERS: EQUITY ON AVAILABILITY OF FISH ON NON-DISCRIMINATORY BASIS TO ALL US CANNERS, BEARING IN MIND THAT SOME HAVE FACILITIES IN ECUADOR WHILE OTHERS DO NOT.

B) BOAT OWNERS: IT APPEARS FROM BOTH GOE DECREE AND OUR DISCUSSIONS THAT GOE INTENDS EVENTUALLY PHASE OUT FOREIGN FISHING; IF THIS IS TRUE AND ACHIEVABLE, BOAT OWNERS FEEL THEY WOULD BE ASSISTING IN OWN DEMISE BY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO BUILD-UP OF ECUADOREAN CATCHING CAPACITY AND KNOW-HOW; THEY WANT INDICATIONS THEY HAVE A LONG-TERM AS WELL AS A SHORT-TERM FUTURE OFF ECUADOR UNDER ANY AGREEMENT.

C) LABOR: THEY WANT TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN JOBS FOR ALL UNION MEMBERS.

3. ANYTHING EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE ON THESE POINTS WOULD BE HELPFUL AT ANY TIME, BUT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL IF COULD BE AVAILABLE FOR FORTHCOMING FURTHER INDUSTRY TALKS. RUSH UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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